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MASSACHUSETTS MAN SENTENCED FOR COCAINE DISTRIBUTION

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE: United States Attorney Tom Colantuono, New Hampshire Attorney General Kelly Ayotte, Chief Arthur J. Walker of the Keene Police Department, and United States Marshal Stephen Monier, announced that Harry Nixon Dauphine, age 35, of Fitchburg, Massachusetts was sentenced yesterday in U.S. District Court in connection with the Distribution of Cocaine in Keene, New Hampshire during 2002 and 2003.

The charges filed by the United States allege that Dauphine distributed 279.36 grams of cocaine on April 21, 2003 and that between 2002 and 2003, Dauphine distributed a total of between 500 grams and 2 kilograms of cocaine. Dauphine was sentenced by U.S. District Court Chief Judge Steven J. McAuliffe, to a term of 51 months in prison and was placed on three years probation after his release. Dauphine had entered a plea of guilty to the charge in October, 2004. He had been a fugitive for nearly a year after running from the scene of a drug transaction in a Keene cemetery in April, 2003. He was subsequently apprehended by the U.S. Marshals Service.

United States Attorney Colantuono stated, "This case represents another example of sound inter-agency cooperation to stop the flow of illegal drugs into New Hampshire and this office will continue to work vigorously toward that goal."

The successful prosecution of this case resulted from the efforts of the Keene Police Department, the NH Attorney General's Drug Task Force and the United States Marshals Service. This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert J. Veiga.